

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

SEP 28 2006
Blue Tee Corporation
c/o Terrace Gileo Faye, Esq.
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RE: Oversight at the Old American Zinc Plant Superfund Site in Illinois

Dear Mr. Steinberg:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or the Agency) is writing you concerning oversight at Old American Zinc Superfund Site in Illinois. We are offering to meet with you to discuss methods for improving oversight billing and the oversight process. If you would like to meet to discuss the latest oversight bill or these methods, please contact Ron Murawski, Remedial Project Manager at (312) 886-2940 to set a date and time for the meeting. In lieu of a meeting, we could have a conference call.

The offer to discuss oversight with you is part of the Agency's efforts to implement administrative changes to the Superfund Program to make clean-up actions faster and fairer. Under the Superfund Administrative Reform on improving the management of potentially responsible party (PRP) oversight, EPA has reaffirmed its commitment to conduct appropriate oversight while ensuring protective clean-ups, and to send oversight bills to PRPs in a timely manner. Maintaining an open dialogue with PRPs about oversight expectations and PRP performance can improve the billing process for response actions.

The Agency oversight allows for the proper development and implementation of a protective clean-up, the careful consideration of associated costs to the performing party, and the maximum recovery of EPA oversight costs. EPA anticipates that an open dialogue at this Site will foster ongoing communication with the PRPs and will be in the best interest of the community.

Sincerely,

Denise Ratliff

Superfund Oversight Billing Coordinator

cc: Ronald Murawski

Remedial Project Manager

Dan Pinkston, Esquire

U.S. Department of Justice